

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants	:	Wood et al.	)	Examiner:
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For	:	DETECTION OF NEUROPEPTIDES ASSOCIATED WITH PELVIC PAIN DISORDERS AND USES THEREOF	)	
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND  
ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT**

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This submission is in response to the July 10, 2009, office action, imposing a written restriction requirement. This response is being filed with a Petition for a Five Month Extension of Time, and is therefore timely.

In response to the restriction requirement, applicants hereby elect Group I (i.e., claims 1-17) without traverse. In response to the election of species requirement imposed on Group I, applicants hereby elect interstitial cystitis as the species. Claims reading on interstitial cystitis include claims 1-17.

If any further action is required by the applicants, then the applicants invite the examiner to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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